Students admitted in the Engineering College.

189 *MR. K. P. KOCHUKORA THARAKAN (*Kunnatnad* cum *Parur*): Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement, by caste, of the students admitted to the Engineering and Diploma courses of the Engineering College newly started in this year by the University of Travancore, with the taluks to which they respectively belong?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Pro-Vice-Chancellor*): The statement asked for is laid on the table.

Plying of motor buses.

190 *MR. K. P. KOCHUKORA THARAKAN (*Kunnatnad* cum *Parur*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether it is compulsory that motor buses should ply as per the time-sheet given to each of them;

(*b*) if there is no such compulsion, the object of giving such time-sheet;

(*c*) whether they are aware of the delay and hardships caused to the passengers consequent on the granting of permit to a single person or a company for conducting bus service on each motor line;

(*d*) whether there is any rule fixing the number of times or the intervals at which the buses should run on each line; and

(*e*) whether there is any rule or provision that at least the last bus that leaves any place should depart from there at a fixed time?

KHAN BAHADUR G. S. ABDUL KARIM SAHIB (*Inspector General of Police*): (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Does not arise in view of answer to part (*a*).

(*c*) No.

(*d*) Yes.

(*e*) Yes.

MR. K. P. KOCHUKORA THARAKAN: ടൈം ഷീറ്റ് കൊടുക്കുന്നതു അനുസരിച്ചു മോട്ടാർ ബസ്സ് ഓടിക്കണമെന്നു നിയമം ഉണ്ടെങ്കിലും അങ്ങിനെ ഓടിക്കുന്നുണ്ടോ എന്നു ഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെൻറു അന്വേഷിക്കാറുണ്ടോ?

KHAN BAHADUR G. S. ABDUL KARIM SAHIB: Yes, as far as possible, we see to that.

MR. K. P. KOCHUKORATHARAKAN: അതനുസരിച്ചു ഓടിക്കാതിരിക്കുന്നവരെ ശിക്ഷിക്കാറുണ്ടോ?

KHAN BAHADUR G. S. ABDUL KARIM SAHIB: Surely.

MR. C. JEBAMONY NADAR: May I know whether it applies to transport buses also?

KHAN BAHADUR G. S. ABDUL KARIM SAHIB: No, Sir.

MR. E. P. VARGHESE: May I know whether the State buses run more regularly than private buses?

*Vide Appendix X A and B.

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KHAN BAHADUR G. S. ABDUL KARIM SAHIB: Yes, Sir, that is my opinion.

MR. KAINIKKARA M. PADMANABHA PILLAI: May I know whether it is only permissive or compulsory to adhere to all the timings?

KHAN BAHADUR G. S. ABDUL KARIM SAHIB: The point is this. In the case of Syndicates the interchangability of timing is allowed. These Syndicates are made up of a number of buses. What they do is, if A has to go at 6·30 and B at 7·30 they interchange the timing and that is allowed by the Department.

MR. KAINIKKARA M. PADMANABHA PILLAI: That is not my question. Suppose, for example, a time is fixed for a bus. Is it absolutely necessary that a bus should start at that time?

KHAN BAHADUR G. S. ABDUL KARIM SAHIB: Yes, it should.

Motor bus service from Alwaye to Parur.

191. ✻**MR. E. P. VARGHESE** (*Ambalapuzha cum Shertala*): Will the Government be pleased to state whether the motor bus service from Alwaye to Parur is a licensed service and whether there is any stipulation with regard to the timings?

KHAN BAHADUR G. S. ABDUL KARIM SAHIB: Yes.

MR. E. P. VARGHESE: May I know whether the timing is adhered to by the buses that run on the Alwaye—Parur line?

KHAN BAHADUR G. S. ABDUL KARIM SAHIB: Yes.

MR. E. P. VARGHESE: At what intervals?

KHAN BAHADUR G. S. ABDUL KARIM SAHIB: I claim notice.

Transfer of the Research Officers.

192. ✻**MR. K. G. GOVINDAN** (*Pattanamtitta*): With reference to the transfer of the research officers of the Public Health, Industries and Agricultural Departments to the control of the Travancore University, will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether there are qualified persons under the University to guide and control the work of such officers; and

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, what the name of the officer is and what his qualifications are?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Pro-Vice-Chancellor*): (*a*) The work of the Research Officers under the University is to be guided and controlled by a Council of Research constituted for the purpose.

(*b*) Does not arise in view of the answer to part (*a*).

MR. K. G. GOVINDAN: May I know whether the Council is constituted?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN: It has not yet been fully constituted. Most of the nominations have been made.

Assignment of lands to members of the Backward Communities.

193. ✻**MR. T. T. KESAVAN SASTRI** (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to state the extent of land assigned to the members of the backward communities on concessional terms in the Vaikom taluk during 1111, 1112, 1113 and up to Medom 1114?

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